

Antibody Production/Neoplasia

Item 1 – Production of Polyclonal and Monoclonal Antibodies in Rodents and Rabbits

Production of antibodies using the polyclonal method is permitted. However, investigators requesting to use ascites for monoclonal antibody production must consider alternatives and reasons for not substituting *in vitro* methods. The protocol must include: (i) scientific justification to use the ascites method, (ii) methods that avoid or minimize discomfort, distress, and pain (including *in vitro* methods) have been considered, and (iii) the latter have been found unsuitable.

[\[See Item 2 for Guidelines\]](#)

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